

Application No.: 10/808,149
Amendment dated: October 17, 2006
Reply to Restriction Requirement dated: September 28, 2006

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. In the Restriction Requirement dated September 28, 2006, the Examiner has taken the position that the claims are drawn to six patentably distinct species of the claimed inventions. Specifically, the Examiner has pointed to six embodiments illustrated in Figure 3 and Figures 5-9.

Applicants elect with traverse the claims of the first species (Figure 3). Claims 1-4, 8-11, and 15-18 appear to read on the embodiment of Figure 3 among others. The described species are related too each other and would not present an undue burden upon the Office to examine each of claims 1-20.

The Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

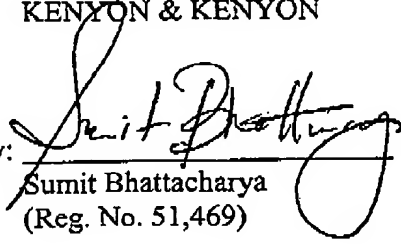
The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (408) 975-7950 to discuss any matter concerning this application. The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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